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TAGS: SREF, HA (ANTOINE SAMUEL CLARK)

SUBJ: REQUEST FOR ASYLUM

REF: A) STATE 177018, B) STATE 206601

1. A CONSULAR OFFICER 8/4/76 LOCATED IN FREEPORT AND INTERVIEWED WESLEY CLARK REGARDING THE ACTIVITIES IN THE BAHAMAS OF SUBJECT ANTOINE SAMUEL CLARK. THE INTERVIEWED CLARK STATES THAT HE IS NOT THE UNCLE OF SUBJECT A. S. CLARK, BUT RATHER IS HIS BROTHER, HAVING THE SAME MOTHER AND FATHER. THE INTERVIEWED STATES THAT THEIR MOTHER'S NAME IS MARIE PROSPER, AND THAT SHE LIVES IN PORT-AU-PAIX, HAITI. HE SAYS THAT THEIR FATHER WAS BAHAMIAN AND DIED WHEN THEY WERE CHILDREN. CLARK STATES THAT NEITHER HE NOR SUBJECT HAS ANY BROTHERS RESIDING IN U.S. HE SAYS THAT MARIE THERESE PIERRE WAS SUBJECT'S SWEETHEART IN HAITI; AND THAT SHE BORE HIM A CHILD IN 1969.

2. THE INTERVIEWED REPORTS THAT HE HAS NOT SEEN SUBJECT SINCE 1969 OR 1970, WHEN SUBJECT VISITED FREEPORT. HE DOESN'T KNOW WHERE HE HAS BEEN SINCE THAT TIME, BUT BELIEVES THAT HE HAD MARRIED AN AMERICAN CITIZEN NAMED WILLIE MAE (LAST NAME UNKNOWN) IN 1962-63 AND WAS LIVING IN U.S.

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EM THE INTERVIEWED CLARK STATES THAT SUBJECT FIRST CAME TO

BAHAMAS DURING LATE 1950'S AND STAYED UNTIL 1964-65. INTERVIEWED CONFIRMS THAT SUBJECT WAS ASSOCIATED WITH CLEMENT BENOIT AND COMOQUINS, WHEN BENOIT WAS HAITIAN CONSUL IN THE BAHAMAS. HE STATES THAT SUBJECT JOINED COMOQUINS IN ABOUT 1958 AND TRAINED WITH ARMS IN BUSH ON GRAND BAHAMA ISLAND. HE SAYS THAT AFTER BENOIT WAS RECALLED BY HAITIAN GOVERNMENT AND REPLACED BY CARL LUIS, LUIS ATTEMPTED TO HAVE SUBJECT DEPORTED TO HAITI IN 1959 OR 1960. INTERVIEWED DOES RECALL FIGHT BETWEEN LUIS AND SUBJECT, AND BELIEVES THAT IT WAS RESULT OF ATTEMPT TO DEPORT SUBJECT. INTERVIEWED DOES NOT KNOW RANK OF SUBJECT IN COMOQUIN ORGANIZATION OR WHETHER HE RECRUITED NEW MEMBERS.

4. INTERVIEWED IMMEDIATELY RECOGNIZED NAME SANTIAQUE CHARLES. HE CONFIRMED THAT CHARLES IS UNCLE OF SUBJECT AND HIMSELF, AND SAID THAT HE HADN'T SEEN HIM HIMSELF SINCE EARLY 1950'S. HE BELIEVES THAT CHARLES IS AN INSTRUCTOR AT A VOCATIONAL SCHOOL IN HAITI. WHEN QUESTIONED WHETHER CHARLES COULD BE TONTON MACOUTE, HE REPLIED THAT IT IS POSSIBLE AND LATER ADMITTED THAT IT WAS LIKELY. WHEN ASKED WHETHER CHARLES COULD HAVE ASSISTED SUBJECT'S RELEASE FROM CUSTODY IN HAITI HE REPLIED THAT HE DIDN'T KNOW WHETHER CHARLES WOULD HAVE SUFFICIENT INFLUENCE. THE INTERVIEWED IS UNAWARE OF SUBJECT EVER HAVING BEEN IMPRISONED IN EITHER U.S. OR HAITI, BUT BELIEVES SUBJECT HAD SOME TROUBLE WITH HAITIAN MILITIA IN 1969. HE IS UNAWARE OF ANY CRIMINAL OFFENSES POSSIBLY COMMITTED IN HAITI OR U.S. FOR WHICH SUBJECT MAY BE WANTED BY POLICE.

5. THE INTERVIEWED STATES THAT IN 1969 SUBJECT WAS IN HAITI ACTIVELY OPPOSING GOVERNMENT. HE SAYS THAT HE BELIEVES SUBJECT WOULD BE KILLED WERE HE TO RETURN TO HAITI, THAT THERE WOULD HAVE TO BE A CHANGE OF GOVERNMENT IN ORDER FOR SUBJECT TO SAFELY RETURN. HE STRESSED THAT SUBJECT WOULD BE WANTED FOR POLITICAL REASONS ONLY.

6. WESLEY CLARK IMPRESSED INTERVIEWING CONSULAR OFFICER AS ESSENTIALLY TRUTHFUL AND SINCERE. ALL INFORMATION WAS OFFERED BY CLARK WITH INTERVIEWER SUPPLYING ONLY INDIVIDUAL SUBJECTS TO BE DISCUSSED.

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